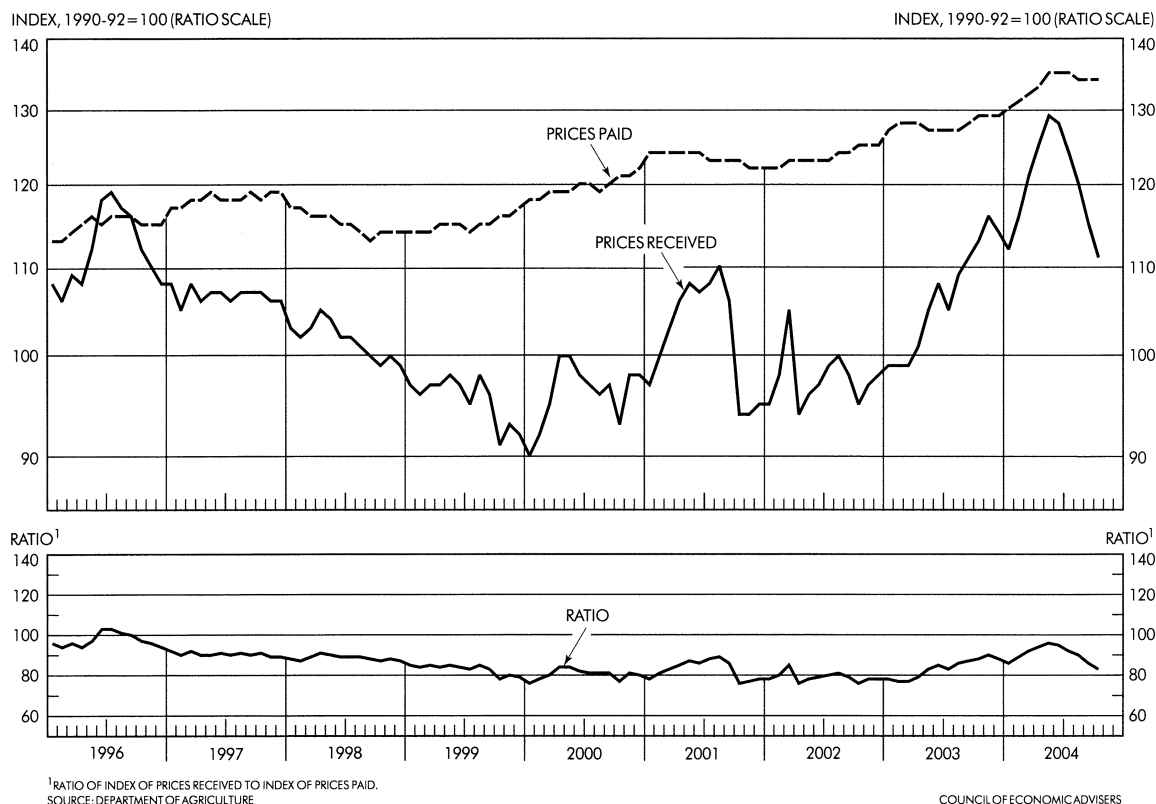


PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS

In October, prices received by farmers fell 3.5 percent, while prices paid by farmers were unchanged. (Data are not seasonally adjusted.)



[1990-92=100; not seasonally adjusted]

Period	Prices received by farmers			Prices paid by farmers			Ratio ²
	All farm products	Crops	Livestock and products	All commodities, services, interest, taxes, and wage rates ¹	Production items, interest, taxes, and wage rates	Production items	
1994	100	105	95	106	106	106	94
1995	102	112	92	109	108	108	93
1996	112	127	99	115	115	115	98
1997	107	115	98	118	118	119	90
1998	102	107	97	115	114	113	89
1999	96	97	95	115	113	111	83
2000	96	96	97	120	118	116	80
2001	102	99	106	123	122	120	83
2002	98	105	90	124	121	119	79
2003	107	111	103	128	126	124	83
2003: Oct	113	111	116	129	127	126	88
Nov	116	115	117	129	128	126	90
Dec	114	116	112	129	127	126	88
2004: Jan	^r 112	113	110	130	129	126	^r 86
Feb	116	121	112	131	129	127	89
Mar	121	120	121	132	130	^r 129	92
Apr	125	123	126	133	132	131	94
May	129	124	133	^r 135	133	132	96
June	128	^r 123	133	^r 135	133	132	^r 95
July	124	120	128	^r 135	133	^r 133	^r 92
Aug	120	118	123	134	132	^r 132	90
Sept ^r	115	112	118	134	132	131	86
Oct	111	106	117	134	132	131	83

¹ Includes items not shown separately.

² Percentage ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid, interest, taxes, and wage rates.

NOTE.—The official indexes are published on a 1910-14 base as required by law. The indexes have been converted to a 1990-92=100 base to facilitate comparison with other indexes. Source: Department of Agriculture.